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Responsive to the Office Action dated April 9, 2002, Applicant respectfully submits the following remarks:

REMARKS

Claims 1-7 and 17-29 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by WO 99/15334 to Holmberg ("Holmberg"). Irrespective of whatever features Holmberg may teach, Applicant respectfully submits that Holmberg does not anticipate the present invention as claimed in Claims 1-7 and 17-29 because Holmberg is not a properly-citable 102(b) reference against the present application.